



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Los Angeles, California 90012

Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held January 31, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"The Governor's Fiscal Year 2006-2007 budget proposes a Bond measure which would provide 15,000 beds for State prisoners who would be housed in County jails under contract with the State and space for housing an additional 30,000 inmates sentenced to County jail. This proposal raises public safety concerns and could have negative fiscal implications on the County.

"Inmates sentenced to County jail are lower level offenders than those sentenced to State prison. The County has enough challenges in confronting issues of jail security and staffing without the added responsibility of housing State prisoners. Additionally, while the space for the 30,000 inmates sentenced to County jail would be funded by \$2 billion in State Bonds with \$2 billion in local matching funds, the \$2 billion in State Bonds to fund the 15,000 beds for State prisoners is directly tied to the actual number of beds utilized by the State which may or may not cover the debt service."

Therefore, Supervisor Antonovich, made a motion that the Board go on record in opposition to Governor Schwarzenegger's Fiscal Year 2006-07 budget proposal to house 15,000 State prisoners in county jails; and in support of the portion of the proposal that will provide space for housing 30,000 additional inmates sentenced to county jails.

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After discussion, Supervisor Knabe made a suggestion that Supervisor Antonovich's motion be amended to direct the Chief Administrative Officer to send a letter to the Governor signed by the Board and the Sheriff, opposing the proposal that State prisoners be housed in county jails. Supervisor Antonovich accepted Supervisor Knabe's amendment.

Supervisor Antonovich's motion, as amended, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, was unanimously carried.

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